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RE APPLICATION OF
AHMAD ET AL.

Art Unit: 1624

Examiner: H. Liu

APPLICATION NO: 09/669,298

FILED: SEPTEMBER 25, 2000

FOR: HETEROCYCLIC SODIUM/PROTON EXCHANGE INHIBITORS AND METHOD

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AMENDMENT

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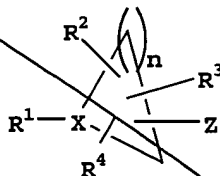
In response to the Official Action mailed September 24, 2001, please amend the above-identified application to read as follows.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 13, 16, 18, 21, 23, and 32 to 62.

Please amend Claims 1, 17, 19, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 to 30 to read as follows.

--1. (Amended) A compound having the structure



wherein n is 4;

X is N;

Z is a heteroaryl group;

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